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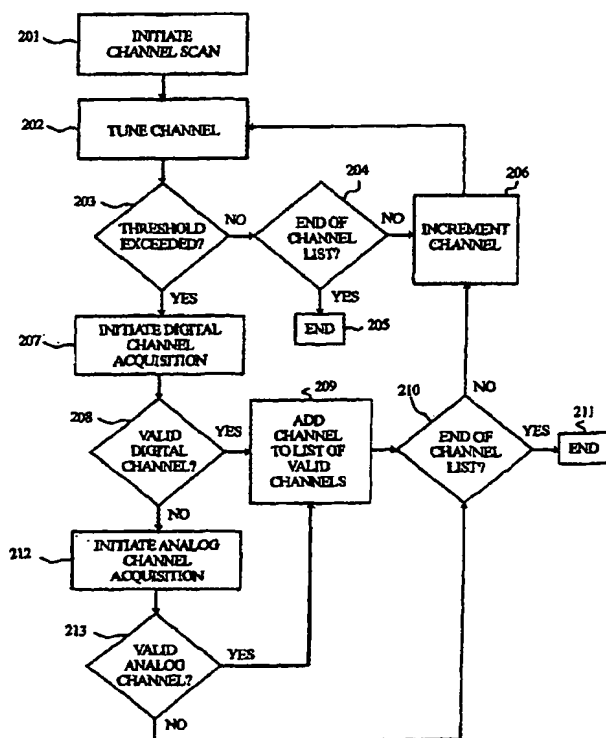
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(57) **Abstract:** A technique for performing channel detection in a device such as a television signal receiver is capable of quickly determining the analog and/or digital broadcast channels available in a given area. According to an exemplary embodiment, a method (200) for performing channel detection includes tuning a first frequency channel (202), determining whether a signal parameter associated with the first frequency channel exceeds a predetermined threshold (203), and enabling a first channel acquisition operation responsive to determining that the signal parameter exceeds the predetermined threshold (207).